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THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" If, after my having read this long answer, the hon. Member puts the question, I cannot understand it."

Collection of this year's instalment of the cost of oil engines and pumpsets in Chingleput district.

3 p.m. * 305 Q.—SRI C. RAJAM RAMASWAMI (on behalf of Sri N. Ramakrishna Ayyar) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have received representations from the ryots of Chingleput district requesting the postponement of collection of this year's instalment to be paid towards the cost of oil engines and pump-sets purchased from the Government on hire purchase system for irrigation purposes; and

(b) what action the Government propose to take in the matter?

THE HON. DR. R. NAGAN GOUDA :—" (a) Yes.

" (b) The Government have already ordered the following :—

(1) Postponement of the collection of instalments due in Fasli 1361 (July 1951 to June 1952) towards the cost of oil engine and electric motor pump-sets supplied to ryots by the Agricultural Department under the hire purchase system in the areas declared by the Government as affected by adverse seasonal conditions and in which the collection of instalments towards the takkavi loans sanctioned by the Government under the Land Improvement Loans and Agriculturists Loans Acts have been suspended for the year, by one instalment period (i.e., one year) without any additional interest being charged for the period of postponement. The remaining instalments also to be postponed by one year without any additional interest for the postponed period;

(2) The adjustment of any amount already paid by a hire purchaser towards the instalment due in Fasli 1361 (July 1951–June 1952) in the areas referred to in (1) above towards the instalment due in fasli 1362 (July 1952—June 1953) ; and

(3) In cases where oil engine and electric motor pumpsets were supplied under the hire purchase system in Fasli 1361, postponement of the collection of the first instalment due in Fasli 1362 by one instalment period without any additional interest for the period of postponement, the remaining instalments also being postponed by one year without any additional interest for the period of postponement.

The above concessions are in force in Chingleput district.

There is no proposal at present under consideration by the Government for similar postponement of the collection of instalments due in fasli 1362."

MR. SPEAKER :—" Question time is over. The rest of the questions will be printed in the proceedings with their answers."

Construction of a bridge on the Vupputeru at Kondapuram, Kavali taluk.

* 306 *Q.*—SRI G. C. KONDAYYA : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received any representation objecting to the construction of a narrow bridge on the Vupputeru at Kondapuram, Kavali taluk, Nellore district and stating that the present narrow bridge should be replaced by a big bridge on which, at least a double-bullock cart can pass; and

(*b*) if so, what action has been taken by the Government?

THE HON. SRI N. SANKARA REDDI :—" No."

" (*b*) Does not arise."

Construction of a bridge over Vamsadhara at Hiramandalam.

* 308 *Q.*—SRI L. LAKSHMANA DAS : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state whether the Government are considering the question of constructing a bridge over Vamsadhara at Hiramandalam?

THE HON. SRI N. SANKARA REDDI :—" No. "

[*Note.*—An asterisk (*) at the commencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member.]

II.—MESSAGES FROM THE COUNCIL.

MR. SPEAKER :—" I have to announce to the House the following messages, dated the 4th December 1952, received from the Hon. Chairman, Madras Legislative Council :—

' 1. I transmit a copy of the Madras Payment of Salaries and Removal of Disqualifications (Amendment) Bill, 1952 (L.A. Bill No. 9 of 1952), as agreed to by the Council without any amendment and signed by me.

2. I transmit a copy of the Madras Repealing and amending Bill, 1952 (L.A. Bill No. 16 of 1952), as agreed to by the Council without any amendment and signed by me.

3. I transmit a copy of the Madras Essential Articles Control and Requisitioning (Temporary Powers) Amendment Bill, 1952 (L.A. Bill No. 17 of 1952), as agreed to by the Council without any amendment and signed by me.

4. I transmit a copy of the Madras Survey and Boundaries (Amendment) Bill, 1952 (L.A. Bill No. 18 of 1952), as agreed to by the Council without any amendment and signed by me.

5. I transmit a copy of the Madras Sugar Factories Control (Amendment) Bill, 1952 (L.A. Bill No. 19 of 1952), as agreed to by the Council without any amendment and signed by me.' "

Question No. 307 postponed for answer on 6th December 1952.